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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

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PREMIER ON REPARATIONS

GERMANY NOT YET CONVINCED SETTLEMENT NECESSARY.
£20,000,000 TO BRITAIN THIS YEAR.

LONDON, March 10.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Lloyd George, replying to criticisms, remarked the inconsistency of the Opposition's declaration that Germany ought to pay yet opposing steps to make her pay. The Premier did not desire to force Germany to despair. Indeed, the present sanctions were the best way of obviating that calamity in a manner compatible with our determination to secure justice. Moreover, the sanctions would undoubtedly yield substantial practical advantages. The Allies at present received 50 or 60 per cent. of the total German exports. Germany would naturally refuse to sacrifice this huge section of her trade. Consequently Britain expected to receive £20,000,000 during the present year from this action. Had Germany made a sincere offer he would have done everything to meet her wishes, but Germany was not yet convinced of the necessity of settling, and von Simons had not been instructed to settle, but when she realized that the Allies meant to deal justly and fairly, also fairly, with her she would be more amenable to agreement than if we were divided in councils.

AMERICAN TROOPS ON THE RHINE

WASHINGTON, March 10.

The War Secretary announces that United States troops will occupy the Rhine under the terms of the armistice, not of the Treaty of Versailles. Consequently the State Department is not likely to approve a troop participating in the Allied sanction plans.

AUSTRIAN SYMPATHY FOR GERMANY

BERLIN, March 10.

The Cabinet has unanimously approved von Simons' conduct in the London negotiations.

In the National Assembly, Herr Weiskirchner, the president, read a declaration of sympathy with Germany as the result of the London conference. He declared that Austria was sorely stricken by what had happened to their brethren in the German Empire.

NEAR EAST PROBLEMS.

SUGGESTED MODIFICATION OF TREATY OF SEVRES.

LONDON, March 10.

Mr. Lloyd George submitted to the conference yesterday evening suggestions to modify the military and financial clauses of the Treaty of Sevres and to limit the so-called zone of the Straits, also to modify the Smyrna clauses with a view to maintaining Turkish sovereignty while providing representation of both elements of the population. Mr. Briand and Signor Storace and a representative of Lord Curzon today submitted the suggestions to the Turks. Mr. Lloyd George and Lord Curzon submitted them to the Greeks. Both requested time to consider.

LONDON, March 10.

At the Near East conference, the Greek delegation accepted the British proposals subject to certain modifications. The Greek delegation proceeds to Athens and Belir Sami goes to Angora immediately to consult their respective governments, returning as soon as possible. Meanwhile, the Supreme Council remains in session in order to be at the disposal of both parties with a view to effecting a settlement.

WHAT THE ALLIES PROPOSE.

LONDON, March 11.

It is understood that the bases of the settlement of the Turkish question proposed by the Allies are Allied evacuation of Constantinople, the Straits to be controlled to a large extent by the Turks, Thrace to be internationalised, Gallipoli to be placed under Greek control, Smyrna to be autonomous with Greek preponderance in the regime, the port of Smyrna to be free to Turkish commerce.

RUSSIAN INSURRECTION.

REVOLUTIONARY SOCIALISTS PLAN NEW GOVERNMENT.

A FIGHT AGAINST HUNGER.

PARIS, March 10.

There is now an undoubted insurrection in Russia the work of the revolutionary socialists most of whose leaders have left Paris for Reval where they intend to form a new Russian government immediately. Petrograd is entirely in the hands of the insurgents. The Russian Red Cross director, Gutchkoff, has cabled President Harding asking for a supply of food and money for the Whites whose success depends entirely on their power of enduring hunger longer than the Moscow Government. He also asks President Harding to place 6,000 tons of foodstuffs belonging to the Hoover organisation in Finland at the disposal of Koslowsky's temporary government at Kronstadt.

STANDARD OIL PLANT ABLAZE.

NEW YORK, March 10.

Fire has broken out in the Standard Oil plant at Brooklyn. Four tanks are reported to have exploded. Police reserves and ambulances have been called out.

TO CONGRATULATE PRESIDENT HARDING.

PARIS, March 10.

The Government has decided to send the former Premier, M. Viviani, on a special mission to the United States to congratulate President Harding.

HARDING AND THE LEAGUE.

WASHINGTON, March 11.

Before taking definite action as regards the League of Nations, it is announced that President Harding will shortly despatch a commission of enquiry to Europe.

THE DOLLAR.

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HOME TRADE.

MANCHESTER MARKET.

LATEST WEEKLY REPORT.

Messrs. James F. Hutton & Co. Ltd., Manchester, reported on Wednesday, February 2.

Cotton Prices have fluctuated over a fairly wide range as there have been rapid changes of sentiment in the markets. On the whole, the tone has been rather better as there has not been such continuous liquidation. The low quotations at the opening of the week were in fact sufficiently attractive to tempt some buying, and a wave of covering resulted in an advance of about 1d. per lb. for American at Liverpool, but this has again been lost owing to any absence of response in the way of trade purchases. (Support from consumers is in fact what is still lacking to give firmness to prices, as the mere weight of the last crop is sufficient to depress quotations so long as there is no buying of any magnitude. At the same time however, it is to be noted from statistics of the ginning and movement of the American crop, that the Southern growers are holding back cotton to a much greater extent than has been previously done. The decision of the Egyptian cotton growers to form an association for the purpose of holding 2,000,000 cantars of cotton for a minimum price is also confirmed. The price fixed in this instance is 2/5 per lb. which is of course considerably above Liverpool quotations, but it is subject to alteration by arrangement. Our market does not show any improvement on the surface, the demand for both cloth and yarn continuing to be extremely meagre, but there is no doubt that the position is growing steadily sounder, as the movement of goods still goes on although progress is difficult and slow. The curtailed production is also a strong factor as the demand, although delayed, is bound to come and be all the heavier for the present postponement. Meanwhile, the attitude of many Indian buyers is quite indefensible as with things having gone against them they are endeavouring to shift their losses on to suppliers. So far as the Exchange is concerned they would forget the large unexpected profits which they obtained when this was moving so much in their favour, and owing to the fall in values Merchants here have had their own losses on stocks, which have been very heavy indeed, and they cannot be expected to bear the losses of others as well.

TO INDIA IN 3 DAYS.

AIRSHIP TRAVEL.

LORD MONTAGU'S VIEWS.

Lord Montagu of Beaulieu, at the Royal Aeronautical Society's meeting at the Royal Society of Arts, Adelphi, said air transport, though the speediest, will have to fight for its life for some time. Its main drawback is that only short journeys such as across-Channel flights are attempted. "There can be no effective competition with conveyance by air on long-distance journeys and the great saving in time for mails should appeal though it has not as yet to the Post Office authorities of every country. And for these long-distance journeys I feel sure that the airship rather than the aeroplane is the best method of transport."

Pointing out that the average speed of aeroplanes is 100 miles per hour, airships 60, express trains 40, and fast passenger ship 16, Lord Montagu said an airship could go from England to India—3,600 miles—in 3 days. The fastest journey by the existing overland and mail ship route now takes 15 to 16 days. Such an airship service is quite a practical proposition.

"I do not agree with those who are so fond of blaming the workman for the troubles that are being encountered," said Lord Leverhulme in his mail week. "We must remember that the workman has been taken from the trenches and put back to his original occupation, and he has not had two years yet in which to recover his balance." "I think he is wonderful, and we have every reason to be proud of him." "It will take time—it will take all of us time—to get back our mental and outlook on trade and commerce as before the war."

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BRITAIN AND AMERICA.

CABLES, SHIPPING, AND OIL.

STATEMENT OF THE AMERICAN CASE.

[Mr. Mark Sullivan, a writer who
before and during the war, was very
friendly to England, contributes an
article to the "New York Evening
Post," owned by Mr. T. W. Lamont,
a partner of Messrs. Pierpont
Morgan's, on the subject of cables,
shipping, and oil, which is of much
interest as showing the American
point of view. We reproduce the
article, which is dated Washington,
Dec. 3, in full.]

THE TROUBLE OVER THE CABLES.

Three incidents in the news that
has arisen in Washington during
the past week are related to one an-
other and are phases of one of the
most important conditions in con-
temporary history. None of these
incidents has been made wholly
clear to the public in all its bearings,
and one of them at least is quite
imperfectly understood.The first that I refer to consists of
the various dispatches stating that a
naval cruiser is on guard off the
coast of Florida to prevent a cable
which is owned by the Western
Union from being landed on the
American coast.This spectacle, as pictured by the
bare dispatches, is most extraordi-
nary. But I do not use the word
"extraordinary" in any sense
critical of the Navy or of the Govern-
ment. On the other hand, having
looked into the matter with some
care, I think the Navy Department,
the State Department, and the
President, who personally refused the
permit to land the cable, are all quite
in the right. But the incident has a
bearing which will only appear
later and which, it is not too much
to say, will affect the course of the
world.It appears that the cable which the
Western Union is trying to land runs
only to one of the British islands in
the West Indies. At Barbados it is
intended to connect with a British
cable line which runs to South
America, and which has a monopoly
of the cable business in Brazil. If
the Western Union were permitted to
land this cable it would follow that
cable messages for South America
originating in Western Union ter-
ritory in the United States would be
routed over a British cable and would
be to the benefit of a British com-
pany, which aims to maintain a
monopoly in Brazil.The point can only be understood
when it is further borne in mind that
there is an all-American cable, or-
iginating in New York, touching at
Panama, going down the west coast
of South America, and competing
with the British company in those
countries of South America where
the British company does not already
have an exclusive monopoly. The
action of our Government is intended
to protect the interests of the Am-
erican company. This bare outlineof the facts does not purport to be
complete and is not enough to form
a just judgment without the knowl-
edge of further minute and technical
details. The whole subject of the
fair and proper control of interna-
tional cable is very big and extremely
complex. Cables are so to speak,
an international public utility.COMPETITION IN TRADE AND SHIP-
PING BETWEEN AMERICA AND

BRITAIN.

But this cable incident does not
stand alone. It is merely one aspect
of a worldwide competition between
the United States and Great Britain
in foreign trade and foreign shipping.
In this field hitherto Great Britain's
possession of a large proportion of
the world's cable facilities has given
her a great advantage. In the newly
awakened national self-consciousness
of the United States and in our new
ambition to be a larger factor in
world shipping and world trade
America is disposed to regard Great
Britain's possession or control of so
much of the world's cable facilities
as a handicap against us which we
cannot afford to let continue.The next incident, superficially has
no connection with the cable incident,
but seen in its true bearings is a part
of the same situation. I refer to
Secretary Colby's note protesting
against Great Britain's apparent dis-
position to assume an exclusive at-
titude in its relation to the oil
resources of Mesopotamia.BRITAIN'S DOMINANCE IN SHIPPING.
The British Empire, on its economic
side, rests upon commercial shipping.
The British islands have no great re-
sources such as we have—favorably
located iron ore, coal, and other raw
material; no fruitful wheat and corn
lands, and the like. Her empire rests
on her dominance in shipping. For
generations it has been her ownership
or control of a very large proportion
of the world's shipping that has been
the economic basis of the Empire's
existence.Great Britain has held this ship-
ping dominance by reason of several
factors, including great experience
and greater skill in the business, a
labor supply that has been trained
for generations in this trade, and
other advantages, such as the owner-
ship of coal bunkers and cable connection
all over the world, and the control of
a large share of the world's marine
insurance and other commercial
aspects of the shipping business.The United States up to the time
of the recent war, never seriously
contested nor thought of contest-
ing Great Britain's dominance in
shipping [this is an error; up to the
time of the adoption of protec-
tion by the United States, American
shipping ran British shipping very
close]; but since, as an incident
of the war, we installed a huge ship-
building plant and became the owner
of what was for us an unprecedented
quantity of tonnage, we have come
to be ambitious in this field. And if
the aggregate mind of our business
world were distilled, it would prob-ably be found that consciously or
unconsciously, we now have a
national ambition to contest Great
Britain's dominance in shipping.At this point comes the significance
of the Mesopotamian incident. Coal
as a fuel for ships is passing, and
petroleum, because of its vastly
greater economy in labour and other-
wise, appears destined to take
its place. Knowledge of this fact
will enable anyone to see the very
great necessity lying upon Great
Britain to own or control oil supplies
adequate to her dominance in ship-
ping.So long as coal was the fuel, she
owned abundant supplies on her
home island; but if oil is to be the
fuel, she must have her supplies
wherever she can acquire them. This,
it may be taken for granted, explains
her concern about the Mesopotamian
fields, and, to a degree, our new
ambition to compete with her in
shipping explains our concern that
the Mesopotamian oil shall be open
to all comers equally.

THE PANAMA TOLLS.

The third incident bearing on
the same general situation is the
emergence of discussion of the
Panama Tolls Act. If we are to be
a shipping nation, it is felt that we
should give our coastwise ships the
benefit of the fact that we built and
own the Panama Canal.If we are to achieve a position in
shipping and foreign trade, compar-
able to that which Great Britain has
had for many generations, we can
only do so through time, patience,
and the building up of the reputation
for commercial skill and
integrity that makes Great Brit-
ain's prestige in every part of Asia
and Africa. We shall have to work
hard and compete fairly; but prob-
ably we shall not continue in our
easy going acceptance of advantages,
which Great Britain was permitted
to hold by default so long as shipping
was no great concern of ours.There is not space here to cover
incidents that have lately emerged
bearing on this subject. Neither, let
it be said, is there space here to
give adequate treatment either to the
whole condition or to any one of
these incidents. But it may be taken
for granted, with much confidence,
that what is here touched upon is
one of the most important things
happening in the contemporary world.
If the assumption is correct, it will
be a subject for poets and historians
for generations to come. If the
assumption is correct, we are witness-
ing and participating in one of those
great incidents of world history
which occur only once in several
centuries.Great Britain won her dominance
from Holland, Holland, in turn, won
it from Spain, which had it at the
time she provided the ships that dis-
covered America, and began the
colonization of the American Con-
tinent. Spain took it from Portugal,
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THE Undersigned have received in-
structions to sell by Public Auction

ON

SATURDAY,

March 12, 1921, at 10.30 a.m.
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
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MISCELLANEOUS GOODS.

Including a few lots of silver ware,
and

Sundry Household Furniture, &c., &c.

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, March 10, 1921.

THE Undersigned have received in-
structions from MR. ARNOTT to sell
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on

WEDNESDAY,

March 23, 1921, commencing at
2.15 p.m., at Her Residence

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HALL.—Teak Hall Stand and Side
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Cabinets, Tables, Stands, &c., Water
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Chairs, Cabinets, Electro Plates and
Cutlery, Glass Crockery, Ware, &c.,
including several lots of Silver Ware.
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Hongkong, March 10, 1921.

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Hongkong, February 21, 1921.

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Any expenses will be paid or reward
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TION.—A FEW THREE ROOM-
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COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. 57.—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in duplicate,
which should be clearly marked "TENDER FOR QUARRIES," will be received
at this Office until Noon on MONDAY, the 14th day of March, 1921, for the
letting of the undermentioned Granite Quarries at Hongkong and the New
Territories, for a period ending 31st December, 1921, or, as an alternative, for
a period ending 31st December, 1923.

Each tender must be accompanied by a receipt to the effect that the
tenderer has deposited in the Colonial Treasury a sum as stated in the schedule
hereunder opposite to each quarry, as a pledge of the bond fides of his offer,
which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown, if the tenderer refuses to carry out
his tender and comply with the conditions hereinafter explained, should the
tender be accepted.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.
Forms of tender can be obtained from the Director of Public Works.

PARTICULARS OF THE QUARRIES.

Quarry Lot No.	Approximate Area in Acres.	Upset Annual Crown Rent	Deposit with Tender.
Tao Tse Wan No. 2	1.84	\$200.00	\$30.00
Ah Kung Ngam No. 2	.93	\$1,300.00	\$100.00
Cha Kwo Liang No. 31	1.60	\$180.00	\$30.00
Ngan Tai Kok No. 4/24	1.75	\$230.00	\$30.00

HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS
in this Company will be held at the
Company's Hotel, Hongkong, on SAT-
URDAY, 19th March, 1921, at Noon,
for the purpose of receiving the Report
of the Board of Directors, together with
a Statement of Accounts for the year
ending 31st December, 1920.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from SAT-
URDAY, 12th March, to SATUR-
DAY, 19th March, 1921, (both days
inclusive) during which period no
transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. H. TAGGART,
Manager.

Hongkong, March 2, 1921.

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA

DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS
in this Company will be held at the
Office of the Company, 2
Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on
TUESDAY, 29th March, 1921, at Noon,
for consideration of the Directors'
Report and Statement of Accounts for
the year ending 31st December, 1920.

The SHARE REGISTER and
TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED
from 19th to 29th March, 1921,
(both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, March 7, 1921.

SATURDAY BANKING HOURS.

BY agreement between the Exchange
Bank, SATURDAY BANKING
HOURS in Hongkong, beginning on
SATURDAY, the 5th March, 1921, will
be as follows:—

From 9.30 a.m. to 12 NOON only.
For all Banking Business.

Hongkong, March 1, 1921.

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

THE following resolution was proposed
and passed unanimously at the
MEETING of MEMBERS held on 2nd
March.

"That the Hongkong Gymkhana
Club be wound up and that the Hong-
kong Jockey Club take over all Assets
and Liabilities of the Hongkong
Gymkhana Club."

A Meeting of Members of the Hong-
kong Gymkhana Club will be held at the
office of the Jockey Club, in Hongkong
Club Avenue, at 12.45 p.m. on FRIDAY,
March 18th for the purpose of confirm-
ing the above resolution.

Hongkong, March 7, 1921.

MESSAGE.

Mr. HONDA and Mrs. HONDA.
14 years' experience.
No. 24, Wyndham Street,
(Opposite to the China Mail).

INTIMATIONS.

SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE,
HONGKONG.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEET-

ING OF THE SOCIETY will be held
in the OTT HALL, TO-DAY (Friday),
11th March, at 5.30 p.m.

For the following purposes:—

(a) To receive the report of the
Committee and statement of
accounts for the past year.

(b) To elect the Officers and Com-
mittee for the ensuing year.

(c) To consider the manner in which
next St. George's Day shall be
celebrated.

(d) To transact any other business
of which due notice has been
given.

All members are requested to attend.

J. BLAKER,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, March 1, 1921.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE THIRTY-FIFTH YEARLY
GENERAL MEETING of the
Members of the Hongkong Club, will
be held in the Club House on
MONDAY, the 14th March, 1921, at
5.30 p.m.

By Order,
A. H. ARBAS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 5, 1921.

HONGKONG TRAMWAY COMPANY.

LIMITED.

(Incorporated in the United Kingdom)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the COLONIAL (Hongkong)
REGISTER of the Company will be
CLOSED from TUESDAY, 15th March,
1921, to WEDNESDAY, 13th April,
1921, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. E. ROBERTS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 7, 1921.

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY.

LIMITED.

NOTICE.

TRAMS will run between KENNEDY
ROAD and BARKER ROAD
STATIONS only until further notice.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, March 9, 1921.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

VICTORIA REGATTA

to be held at
Black Boulder Point, Kowloon Bay
on
SATURDAY, the 26th and MONDAY,
the 28th March, 1921.

THE following events are open to the
Colony:—

Challenge Cup Race.—For Four.
Limited to residents of the Colony, each
crew to be drawn from a single unit,
e.g. a Regiment, a Ship, a Corps, a
Firm, or any other body of gentlemen
working together at the same profession
or calling. A Club is not included in
the definition. If any of the Units
cannot provide a complete crew, any
combination of two similar Units can be
made.—Distance, 1 mile.

Entrance Fee, \$5.00.

Motor Boat Race.—Open to any
private owned Motor Boat in China.
Boats to be handicapped on estimated
speed per hour from particulars entered
on entry form.—Triangle Course, 5
miles.

Entrance Fee, \$10.00, to accompany
entry form.

Entries Close to the Hon. Secretary
on the 12th inst.

Entry forms can be had on applica-
tion.

R. C. WITCHELL,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, March 5, 1921.

WAR MEMORIAL.

SUBSCRIPTION LIST.

FOR the erection by Public Sub-
scription, of a building to be
run on Y.M.C.A. lines, to be called
the WAR MEMORIAL INSTITUTE
and to be managed for the joint use
of the Navy, the Army and Civilians
by a Joint Board of Directors.

A portion of the sum raised will
be devoted to the erection of a
permanent stone memorial which
will be put in hand at an early date.

Lists may be found at:—

Messrs. Lane Crawford.

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Messrs. Wm. Powell, Ltd.

The Hongkong Club.

Hongkong Cricket Club.

Club Lusitano.

Engineers Institute.

Victoria Recreation Club.

Kowloon Cricket Club.

Kowloon Bowling Club.

Peak Club.

Club de Recreation.

Cricket Ground Club.

M. J. BREEN,
Hon. Secretary.

War Memorial Committee.

SEA-SICKNESS SECRETS.

INTERESTING RESEARCH

WORK.

TANK TESTS TO PREVENT FITTING

OF SHIPS.

In the future sea sickness may be a
malady unknown. Research work is
being carried on in the experimental
tank of the National Physical Labora-
tory at Teddington which is designed,
among other important things, to
diminish the pitching motion of ships
at sea.

The tank is 520ft. long, 30ft.
across and about 12ft. deep. It en-
closes a stretch of water upon which
are floated model vessels—each the
exact image in little of some craft
which is destined to plough the seas.

The procedure is this. A firm
will submit the shape of one of their
new boats to the tank. Here an
exact model of it, cast in paraffin
wax in a clay mould, is made.
Usually these models are from 17ft.
to 20ft. long, and weigh about a ton.

A carriage which runs above the
tank tows the model through the
water at various speeds, and its re-
sistance under every condition is
minutely recorded. By these tests
it is possible to tell whether the boat
from which the model is taken will
be efficient in propulsion, and, if it is
not, where the defect lies.

CREATING WAVES.

Many interesting experiments are
concerned with the behavior of
ships in rough weather. There is an
apparatus in the tank for creating
regular series of waves.

It is often those bland innocent-
looking waves which make a ship
pitch heavily, and give keen discom-
fort to the traveller," said Mr. G. S.
Baker, superintendent of the tank.

At the same time, choppy seas
will not disturb him at all. Why is
this? It seems that the small, fierce
waves are broken by the resistance
of the ship, while the long waves,
which look so innocent, are not.
There is a synchronism between the
latter and the vessel. They lift
it up, and it falls into their troughs,
and so you get the disturbing pitch-
ing.

"These tests were in my mind on
a recent trip from Holland, and I was
so interested in watching the action
of the ship that I forgot all about
being seasick, though the pitching
was heavy. We shall find out what
kinds of ships are affected most by
different wave forms.

"With our models we are studying
the effect of the rudder on the ship,
and ship on the rudder, fitting differ-
ent rudders to different vessels, run-
ning models with propellers and with-
out propellers, and so on."

SMALLER COAL BILLS.

One of the most valuable results
of these tests is that they demon-
strate what improvement in the form
of a vessel may be made to enable a
reduction in the effective horse power
needed to drive it. In the case of
one big vessel cited by Mr. Baker
£10,000 or £12,000 a year on the
coal bill is being saved by improve-
ments in form made in the tank. Be-
sides this, the "reduction in resis-
tance," enables the vessel to carry
more cargo, and its owners can
afford to run it on lower freights.

UNIVERSITY OF HONGKONG.

MATRICULATION & SENIOR LOCAL

EXAMINATIONS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the above EXAMINATIONS will
commence on MONDAY, June 6th, 1921.
Forms of entry and copies of the new
regulations and syllabus can be obtain-
ed on application to the Registrar.

Each entry form duly filled in must
reach the Registrar together with a fee
of \$15. (Hongkong currency) on or before
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BIRTH.

CARVALHO.—Born at the Peak Hospital, to Dr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Carvalho, a son on the 10th March.

DEATH.

GRAY.—Jan. 24, at 164, Oakwood Court, W. Julia, widow of John Henry Gray, D.D., Archdeacon of Hongkong, aged 82.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 1921.

OUR NATIVE SEA.

From the oyster of the Diocesan Conference report we extract a pearl. Mr. Forster spoke of our seamen, "who, filled with that spirit of humility which comes from contact with the big forces of nature, and having a great capacity for affection, approach very near to the Christian ideal of manhood." Indeed the sea is a great teacher, and the heroes of Xenophon did not greet it with more heart-felt enthusiasm than do its adepts, especially after absence. There are people who are sea-sick, there are people who grow sick for the sight of it, and people who seem soon to get sick of it. The first are entitled to pity, the second to sympathy, the third (who confess to boredom) may be despised. They require decksports, and wireless news, and the sea's charms visible. The infinitely various play of form and colour is caviare to them. Perhaps they are further advanced in civilization than we, who confess to instinctive soul-tirings at sea that must derive from

ancestral memories. To us the open sea has a fascination that repetition cannot stale, storms wither, nor calm abate. Upon the heaving bosom of the teeming mother we need no novels to read, no prattle to beguile. We feel as we suppose some people to feel in church, or as those who stand consciously upon holy ground.

Though absent long, These forms of beauty have not been to us As is a landscape to a blind man's eye; But oft, in lonely rooms, and 'mid the din Of towns and cities, we have owed to them, In hours of weariness, sensations sweet, Felt in the blood, and felt along the heart, And passing even into our purer mind.

With tranquil restoration, This "tranquil restoration" must be what was in Mr. Forster's mind when he spoke of the humility of sailors, for truly, knowing the breed well, we dare not accuse them of humility in the commonly accepted meaning of the word. Most of their deeds are audacious. Was not Commander Evans nobly arrogant when, with terrible seas breaking over the rocks whereon the fragments of the "Hongmoh" clung, he threw himself naked into the fierce and elemental strife, to contend with the marine furies for the lives of fellow human beings? Was Columbus humble, or Captain Cook, or the first man who launched a canoe? That very sense of human weakness and insignificance which the great sea inculcates is the best proof that we are not humble, when in despite of it we strive and overcome. The shellback sailing round the Horn ought to cringe and be craven, yet he fights (landmen know no such fight) and laughs. We are not humble as we watch the play of light upon the sea, in the dazzle of daytime or the

sheen of night, as we gloat upon the shapely curves of high seas, the pleasant shading of what is called a "mill-pond" surface. We have never, by the way, observed at sea the fatness which this description suggests. Even when there is no perceptible swell—that "oily swell" we read about, which is apt to bring up the image of a barber's assistant in his Sunday clothes—there is a strange appearance of concavity, in which we see ourselves as it were in the middle of a saucer, with the horizon for a rim. In any sort of weather the eternal restlessness of the sea makes changes that thrust fresh beauty at the eye. Along the flanks of the moving ship from which we observe it, flow streams of broken and aerated brine which provide the most translucent and delicate marriage of blue and white. Fretted or chequered with a lacey pattern of foam, it is as though some Olympian draper were unfolding frills for the petticoats of Venus. Colour and chiaroscuro everywhere at sea. God pity the blind.

Thus far have we played with superlatives, and our sea has depth. We have aimed to depict at once the beauty and the saline health of it. Let us now reach after the subtler message of the sea. We love to dally with the idea that we are drawn to the sea by an instinct that, though a part of ourselves, is older than ourselves, older even than the subconscious memories we may have inherited from viking forefathers. If we remember the teachings of Evolution, we must recognize that going to sea is going Home—as, indeed, it literally is for most of our local readers. In the beginning all life came from the sea, says the teacher who tells us of a period Archæan, when there was very little dry land, and Adam's great great grandfathers crawled in the primeval brine, with little backbone and less conscience, a descendant or rather ascendant of the Cambrian Trilobite. Seven millions of Silurian years predated the land for our coming ashore. The story of the Pilgrim Fathers is small beer compared with the saga of the emigration of the first man from the sea.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Paymaster E. S. Apps has been appointed to the "Alacrity," special service ship on the China Station.

Some parav ratings will be shortly sent to the China Station for distribution amongst the ships here.

Lieutenant and Acting-Captain R. M. Jerram, M.C., 6th Battalion Hampshire Regiment and Tank Corps, has been given a direct lieutenantcy in the Wilshire Regiment, with seniority from Dec. 22, 1916, and has been seconded for service with the Tank Corps. He won the Military Cross in France in 1918.

Lieut.-Com. John Austin Gimes, the commander of the lost K5, was in China in charge of a submarine base for the first time months of the war. He was then recalled to the North Sea and awarded the D.S.O. for the discovery of a secret passage through the minefield off Heligoland.

Mrs. Catherine Sophia Bird, of Barstet, Stratford-on-Avon, who died on Nov. 21, widow of Mr. R. W. M. Bird, barrister, of Shanghai, left estate of the gross value of £47,255, with net personalty of £46,485. Mrs. Bird left legacies to several Warwickshire hospitals and an annuity to an old and faithful servant.

The command of the river gunboat "Teal," China Station, has been given to Lieutenant-Commander Julian Harrison, D.S.O., from command of the destroyer "Vortigern" in home waters. Commander Harrison joined the Royal Navy in 1903, and was a lieutenant-commander of the battleship "Monarch" when the late war opened. He saw much service with the "Grand Fleet" and won the D.S.O. at Jutland.

An Admiralty order states that several cases of anthrax have arisen lately in Britain, which have been traced to infection from the bristles of sash tool and shaving brushes imported from abroad—mainly from Japan. Although no special apprehension is felt as regards anthrax occurring in the Navy from service brushes, none of which are imported from Japan, a warning is issued that no sash tool brushes are to be used for shaving or other purposes for which they are not intended.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A clean bill of health was returned for the Colony yesterday.

It is understood a court of enquiry into the "Hong Moh" disaster will soon be held at the Marine Court.

A reminder is given that the annual general meeting of the Society of St. George is to be held in the City Hall at 5.30 this afternoon.

As the result of a fall on Hollywood Road yesterday afternoon, a Chinese lad 16 years of age received a cut on his upper lip which caused the loss of so much blood that he had to be removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

The marriage took place at the Drive Wesleyan Church, St. Anne's, recently, of Mr. Albert Woodall Smith, of Messrs. Watson's Ltd., Hongkong, second son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Smith, of Scarborough, to Miss Irene May Jackson, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sydney A. Jackson, of Comrie, North Drive, St. Anne's.

Further expert evidence was called in the Ho Mun Tin bungalow case before Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, the Puisne Judge, in the Supreme Court yesterday afternoon when hearing was resumed of the action taken by Father Henriques against his neighbour Mr. G. T. Lam for \$200 claimed in respect of damage to a boundary wall alleged to be due to negligence in the building operation. After hearing the evidence of Mr. Abdul Rahman and Mr. H. W. Bird, architects, who had already given evidence for the plaintiff, the hearing was adjourned.

Nearly 1,400 Germans and Austrians, all prisoners of war from Siberia, together with about fifty Rumanian officers arrived in the harbour on board the steamer "Gujarat" chartered from Messrs. Messers and Co., by the German Red Cross to take them from Vladivostok to Trieste. After leaving Singapore the vessel will call at Sabang in order that the passengers may land a privilege denied them at all British ports. During their six or seven years in Russia many of the men married Russian women who accompanied them now that they have at last been able to leave the country.

Captain E. S. Bainbridge, who since 1899 has been in command of Straits steamships in the Rangoon, Straits and China trade and must have carried many thousands of coolies to and from Swatow, has retired and gone home to settle at Bath. Capt. Bainbridge had four years' war service in the Reserve, 2½ years at Dover and the remainder in the Mediterranean. Upon returning he took command of the "Hong Hwa." His numerous friends from Swatow to Rangoon will wish both he and Mrs. Bainbridge many years of happiness in their retirement.

Two Chinese were this morning charged before Magistrate Lindell with the unlawful possession of 2,500 cigarettes on which duty had not been paid. When the defendants' luggage was searched on the Praya yesterday afternoon, the cigarettes were found in two baskets they were carrying. Both men admitted possession of the cigarettes but said that they were ignorant of local regulations. One said he bought his cigarettes in Macao, and the other in Wuchow. The prosecution said that the duty on the cigarettes was \$1.65 in the one case and \$1.75 in the other. The Magistrate imposed fines of \$16 and \$17 respectively, and ordered the confiscation of the cigarettes.

The international disputes going on regarding the wireless concessions in China betray a sad lack of national dignity. China's interests are the last thing thought of, and great nations quarrel like fishwives for the chance of making money out of China, when the probability is that she would be much better off without any of their scientific toys. Behind the squabble over the profits there is the desire to get control of the messages. One of the objectors to the concessions is the Great Northern Company under whose care for many years it cost as much for a cable service in Japan as it cost in Shanghai for two or three times the quantity, says the *Japan Chronicle*.

It is officially intimated that Brevet Lieut.-Colonel F. H. Dansey, C.M.G., D.S.O., Wilshire Regiment, has been given the rank of temporary lieutenant-colonel whilst a temporary Assistant Adjutant-General. With effect from Aug. 20, last, Lieutenant-Colonel Dansey saw much service in France and Belgium on the Staff during the campaign of 1915-16. He was mentioned in despatches five times, promoted brevet lieutenant-colonel and given the Legion of Honour, French War Cross, Military Order of Avis, the C.M.G., and the D.S.O. Lieutenant-Colonel Dansey was commissioned in the Wilshire in February 1899, and his captaincy in 1904, was adjutant of his battalion, 1909-12, and during the war in succession was D.A.A. and Q.M.G. of the 6th Middle Division, D.A.A. and Q.M.G. 10th Army Corps and Assistant Adjutant-General, First Army.

SPORT.

LEAGUE FOOTBALL.

"TITANIA" v. WILTS.

The Wilts completed their programme in the first division of the Hongkong Football League yesterday afternoon when they met the "Titania" on the Club ground, and after a close and exciting game, went down to the tune of two goals to one. In spite of this defeat, the Wilts are the Champions of the league with 25 points to their credit. They have had a very successful season on the whole, and have every right to be proud of their record, having lost only two out of sixteen games played, namely, their first and last matches. Of the other fourteen games, they won eleven and drew three, while in the record of goals they have thirty for and fifteen against, a very good performance on the whole, considering the tough combinations they had to fight against.

THE MATCH.

Played in a drizzling rain throughout, the game was much affected in the matter of scientific football owing to the greasy state of the ball and the heavy ground. However, the match was not without its interest, and the large gathering of Servicemen who turned out in the wet to watch the game were fully repaid for the inconvenience they suffered.

Powell kicked off for the Sailors, and play opened fast and even, with both ends of the field visited in quick succession. Early on, Menham had a chance of opening the scoring for the Soldiers from a well timed centre by Amor, but he sent the ball just a couple of inches wide. Undaunted by this failure, the Wilts returned to the attack only to be pulled up by Evans being off-side. Mapleson took the free kick, and placing the ball well, gave Powell a chance. This worthy did not miss the opportunity. He at once tackled Giles, leaving the road clear for Hendry, who trapping the ball cleverly, had no difficulty in beating Smith at close range. Immediately from the centre, the Soldiers went on the war path, and when well in, Evans sent in a lofty shot which the goalie was just able to save by tipping the ball over the cross bar. Amor placed the corner kick beautifully, and Swanborough, who was in a very favourable position in front of goal, tipped the leather into the net for the equalizer. Soon after the centre kick the half time whistle came with the score sheet reading one all.

At the resumption, the Soldiers went all out to assume the lead, but they met with a very stubborn defence, and by as they would, they could not get through. The nearest they came to a goal was when Swanborough headed in a pass from Amor and the ball struck the upright and rebounded into play. In the excitement to put the finishing touch, several forwards rushed in, and the chance was spoiled by the whistle sounding for off-side. When the Sailors attacked, they went down the field in fine style. When near goal, Powell gave Piles a good chance to put the side one up, but the latter shot wide from very close range. Powell got the ball from the goal kick and returned it to the danger zone. Smith delayed in clearing the ball, and rushing in, Piles smouldered Smith's kick. The ball rebounded from Piles into an empty goal. This score was greeted with much cheering by the Naval contingent present. With only six more minutes to go, the Soldiers tried all they knew for the equalizer, but the slippery nature of the ground handicapped them and they could not go far. The Sailors who were more at home under these conditions, had a better control of the ball, and did most of the attacking. Soon before the final whistle Powell gave Piles a glorious chance of increasing the side's score, but with only the goalie to beat, Piles missed. With barely a minute more to go, the Wilts attacked, and Warren spoiled whatever chance they had of redeeming the game by shooting over the cross bar. The final whistle came just as the Sailors had worked the ball into enemy territory, and were getting dangerous.

The Sailors won a deserved victory by the odd goal in three. Mr. Williams was the referee.

SATURDAY'S FOOTBALL.

2ND DIVISION FIXTURES.

Below are the Second Division fixtures of the Hongkong League for Saturday, March 12:—
3 p.m. Indians v. United, Navy "A" ground.
3 p.m. Club Res. v. "Carlisle," Club ground.
3 p.m. Staffs v. Punjab, Navy "B" ground.
4.30 p.m. R. G. A. v. Kowloon, Sookmoo ground.

MATCHES POSTPONED.

The Officers are out of port at present and their fixture for Saturday with the Staffs has been postponed. Owing to St. Joseph's playing in the Shield Competition, their second division match with the South China, scheduled to be played to-morrow, has been postponed.

KOWLOON F.C. TEAMS.

The following teams have been selected to represent the Kowloon

Football Club in their League engagements on Saturday, March 12:—

1st Div XI v. Hongkong Club on the Club ground, Kick-off 3 p.m.: W. E. Crocker; F. Wheeler, T. L. Knight; I. Coupland, A. Weyman, A. Mair; W. Taylor, R. E. Townsend, B. Pisco, F. Evelyn, and J. Coombs, Reserve: C. E. Millard.

2nd Div XI v. R.G.A. Res. at Sookmoo Valley Kick-off 4.30 p.m.: W. Musket; A. Spary, S. Adams; R. Roberts, S. H. Hewer, H. Frewin; E. Donovan, C. Stewart, K. A. Mason, A. Estorje, and H. Blythe.

HONGKONG v. KOWLOON.

The following will represent the Hongkong Football Club against the Kowloon Football Club in the League on the Club ground to-morrow (Kick-off, 3 p.m. sharp):—G. Rodger; W. Gerrard and L. Lawrence; M. L. Ralston, J. Rodger and J. W. R. McPhail, I. B. Hamilton, A. N. Other, M. Sanberg, S. Egg and L. Goldenberg.

UNITED v. INDIANS.

The following will represent the United in the above match on Saturday, on the Navy "A" ground. Kick-off at 3 p.m.—J. Beach; A. E. Simmons, D. Urquhart; J. Leonard, D. Laming, J. Baker, J. Kent, P. Brown, G. T. May, C. H. Blake and G. Chubb.

CLUB v. "CARLISLE."

The following will represent the Club Second XI against the "Carlisle" on Saturday—Groot, Mackenzie, Stutz, Matthews, Pilger, Annin, Angus, Hast, Sherry, Root and Ralston.

Players are requested to be at the Pavilion before 2.45 p.m.

TENNIS.

OPEN TOURNAMENTS.

In the Open events of the Tournament at the Cricket Club yesterday, rain interfered with the comfort of both players and spectators. Two open doubles were finished, one being a replay of a previous match from the point then reached.

G. MCKIN AND E. G. GRIMBLE v. WONG PO KEUNG AND V. YANOVITCH.

This match resulted in a win in three straight sets for Wong and his partner. The rain which fell with steadily increasing persistence throughout the match made the players chary of too dashing play, and the very weight of the balls made the tennis as steady as the rain. Wong did not exert himself and Yanovitch played his usual game tempering with a spice of extra care. Grimble seemed to feel the conditions very much, and though he was pushing in some good drives he found the net too often. His partner gave him but little support.

Score to Wong and Yanovitch:—

6-1, 6-3, 6-2.

J. R. WOOD AND G. R. SAYER v. G. M. DODWELL AND J. M. W. MEARS.

Replaying from two sets all this match in a considerable downpour resulted in the victory of Wood and Sayer in the final set. Wood's chops were more than usually effective on so heavy a ground, and Dodwell did not seem at all at home under such amphibious conditions. No play of a note-worthy nature was to be seen, Sayer proving steady and Mears erratic. Score: 12-14, 6-1, 6-0, 6-4.

The rain makes any play today extremely problematical, and the time allowed for the first two rounds will have to be somewhat extended if there is not to be an orgie of scratching by the committee.

"A PLAYER."

BILLIARDS.

HO KOM-TONG CUPS.

Playing in this handicap at the Palace Hotel last night, Mr. W. G. Gerrard (-150) beat Mr. G. Thomas (-100), 250-151.
Best breaks—Mr. Gerrard, 34, 27, 25, 17, 16, 15, 15; Mr. Thomas, 17, 16.
Mr. A. J. Osmond (-300) beat Mr. J. Taylor (-150), 250-232.
Best breaks—Mr. Osmond, 58, 15, 15, 15, 15, 15; Mr. Taylor, 23, 20, 18, 17, 17, 15, 15.

TO-NIGHT'S GAMES.

6 p.m.—Mr. Ho Shai-cheung (-150) v. Mr. J. Muckersie (-50).
9 p.m.—Mr. E. Guimaraes (-200) v. Mr. W. E. Wilson (-50).

LADIES' GOLF.

THE "HEALING" CUP.

Lady golfers are reminded that the cup presented by Miss Healing is to be competed for under Bogey conditions over the Old Course at Fanning on Tuesday, the 22nd inst., and entries with the names of opponents should be sent in as soon as possible.

THE CAPTAIN'S CUP.

A qualifying round for the Captain's Cup will be played under medal conditions on the last Tuesday of every month; the winners of each of the 12 monthly rounds to compete in match play for the cup at the end of the year. The next qualifying round has been fixed for March 26; to take place on the Old Course at Fanning.

BIG RICE CLAIM.

ALLEGED BREACH OF CONTRACT.

EXPERT EVIDENCE CALLED.

The hearing of the suit in which the Sing Cheong rice firm sought to recover from Messrs J. Osawa and Co., the sum of \$11,000, alleged to have been the amount of loss sustained by the complainants through the action of the defendants in committing a breach of a contract to purchase 2,000 bags of *Mayank* rice, by refusing to take delivery, was continued in the Supreme Court this morning when expert evidence was taken as to the quality of the rice, in dispute. Given two samples of rice, the first the rice the complainants alleged the defendants had contracted to purchase, and the other the rice the defendants alleged was the original sample offered them before the contract was entered into, the expert, a rice merchant of Bonham Strand, said that both samples were those of *Mayank* rice and came within the terms of the contract in question. Asked as to the percentage of broken rice in the samples, the witness said there was little to choose between them. The only difference he found in the samples was that one was older than the other. In the course of further examination, the witness admitted that the sample put in by the defendants was of a better quality. Mr. Jenkin (for the plaintiffs): Quite so. It must be of a better quality, or the defendants would have no ground on which to back out of the contract.

This witness also deposed that in all rice deals it was the practice to make allowance for broken rice at between 20 and 30 per cent. All rice containing that percentage was considered good rice. By Mr. Pollock (for the defendants): *Mayank* rice does not mean "Jade Stone" rice, although the jade character in the description of the rice was the "jade" character. The hearing is proceeding.

Certain payments as compensation for loss of exchange have hitherto been made to officers and others who are stationed in countries where the rate of exchange is unfavourable to Great Britain. The Board of Inland Revenue, after consideration of the matter, have now ruled that such payments are liable to income-tax and should be included in the assessments of the recipients. Under this ruling the total assessable income will be arrived at by the conversion into sterling, at the current official rate of exchange, of the gross total number of units (e.g. dollars on the China Station, rupees on the East India Station, and pesetas at Gibraltar) actually payable in respect of emoluments which are normally assessable to income-tax. This decision is to take effect from April 1, 1920, and will apply to all payments of the nature in question already made, or which may fall to be made, to both Naval and Civil personnel in respect of the period beginning on that date.

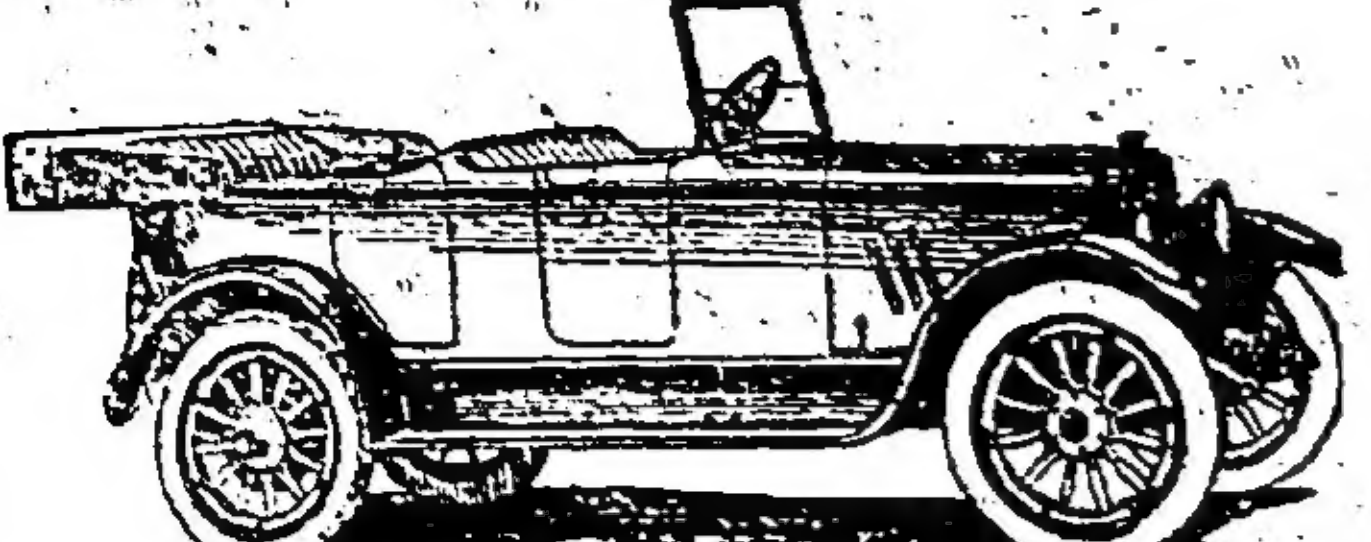
SHOOTING.

HONGKONG RIFLE LEAGUE.

At the League meeting held last night it was agreed that when 10 or more teams enter for the League Championship, badges half the size of the winners badges be presented to the members of the second team, consisting of, as in the case of winners, 10 men, being 8 men for the team and two reserves. The League pays the expenses in the case of winners and runners-up, of only 10 badges for each team, if more than 10 men in all take part in the matches, these badges can be applied for through League channels, but must be paid for by the team applying for them. If any team desires it, they may have a silver cup in lieu of badges, of the same value. It was further decided that a preliminary meeting be held in October to decide the question of ranges and targets, and to revise the present conditions governing the method of shooting for the League Championship, the present conditions as laid down not being in line with the present day King's Prize second stage conditions. The rules and regulations will be revised at this meeting.

As both the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Northcote, and the Assistant Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. A. Lyon, are going home shortly on leave, Mr. F. A. Wells kindly consented to carry out the duties of Hon. Secretary until Mr. Northcote's return, when the question of colour of targets, dates, ranges, etc., will be arranged. The question of the "Volunteer" shooting against the "Rest" (12 men to fire 40 best scores to count 1 was also brought up, and it is hoped Mr. Ravenscroft of the "Tama" will be able to arrange a team for this event when a competition of the first water, given good weather conditions, may be expected. There will certainly be some fine shooting.

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JAPAN'S CROWN PRINCE.
VISIT TO HONGKONG.
BANQUET THIS AFTERNOON.

With an almost entire absence of the public receptions and functions usually considered inseparable from a royal visit and the general uncertainty regarding the few arrangements that seem to have been made, public interest in the visit to Hongkong of His Imperial Highness the Crown Prince of Japan, who arrived here, on board the warship "Katori" yesterday morning, appears to have resolved itself largely into speculation mostly centered in the personality of the royal visitor himself, when rumour has it will not land in the Colony during the three days of his stay here.

In addition to the exchange of courtesies on board the warships yesterday, a banquet will be given by His Imperial Highness this afternoon on board the "Katori." The invited guests are His Excellency the Governor, the heads of the local Military and Naval forces and the chief officials of the Government, while the hosts include Prince Kan'in, Dr. Miura and Viscount Chinda.

The local Japanese community has not been slow to show its loyalty within the limits set by the restricted nature of the visit. Yesterday few Japanese business or official places had not their national flags in gay display, to be replaced at night with effective illuminations. Yesterday 200 sailors from the ships were entertained by the Government at tea at St. Andrew's Hall, City Hall, and a similar number to-day. The officers are being taken around the island by motor car to-day.

His Imperial Highness who was born on April 29, 1901 and proclaimed Crown Prince on September 9, 1912, is accompanied by H.I.H. Prince Kan'in and suite, which includes Count Chinda, formerly the Japanese Ambassador to Great Britain and at present a Privy Councillor, Major-General Nara, the Chief Military Aide-de-Camp to the Crown Prince, Dr. Miura, a Court Physician, Viscount Iriye, the Chief Chamberlain to his Highness, Viscount M. Tsuchiya, Mr. H. Saionji, Mr. M. Yamamoto, Mr. Y. Toda, Count K. Kawai, Mr. T. Takata, Mr. S. Sawada, Mr. K. Oyabigami, Mr. T. Hamada, and Count Y. Futaba.

The "Kashima" is a battleship of 16,400 tons, length 425 ft., nominal speed 16 knots. She was launched in 1905 and is armed with four 12 inch and four 10 inch guns.

The "Katori" is slightly smaller, 15,950 tons, length 420 feet. She also was launched in 1905 and her speed and armament are the same.

A TOKYO INCIDENT.
Tokyo, Feb. 25.—An attempt was made to make a direct and personal appeal to the Crown Prince when His Highness returned to Tokyo Station last evening from Kyoto. The man who attempted the appeal was arrested and identified as a greengrocer named Kaneko Otojio.

As the Crown Prince's motor approached where Kaneko was standing, the latter thrust out a bamboo pole on the tip of which was fastened a letter and started to crowd his way to the passing motor. Before the man could get sufficiently near the Imperial vehicle, however, he was caught by a police officer, Mr. Oda, of the Hibiya Police Station.

The application, according to the police report, was for the enfranchisement of military men and police officers, but it is rumoured by some who profess to know, that the letter was a petition to the Prince to postpone his trip abroad.

CHEMICALS.

Sir S. W. ROYCE & Co., Ltd., Manchester, report on Jan. 26, 1921:

Chemicals.—During January trade has continued quiet although there has recently been a better feeling and more enquiry. The amount of actual business done has however been small and mostly for early delivery. Sulphate of Copper has been receiving little attention for either home or export but the price has remained steady. There has been only a moderate call for Green Copperas and although the stoppage of tinplate works in South Wales has curbed production, stocks are ample to meet requirements. Acetates of Lime have been pressed for sale with little success. Acetic Acid is steadier but lower prices have been accepted for Acetates of Lead and Soda. Nitrate of Lead has been only in limited enquiry. Carbonate of Potash has been in poor demand and the price has eased. Sulphate of Potash is also lower and there is practically no demand for Montreal Potashes. Caustic Potash also is quiet. Yellow Prussiate of Potash has ruled steady but trade has been confined to small lots. Prussiate of Soda is cheaper, and although latterly there has been a better enquiry from abroad, the amount of trade done is only small. Stocks of White Powdered Arsenic have accumulated somewhat and concessions in price are offered but the response is poor. Tartaric Acid has been moving better and the forward position is decidedly firmer, good business having been done for delivery well ahead. There has been a further fall in the price of Cream of Tartar, although stocks have been reduced. Citric Acid is stronger, the raw material being firmly held, and a premium is being paid for forward delivery. Bichromates are in poor request and stocks of foreign make are still pressed for sale. Business in Oxalic Acid has been only in small lots. The price of Borax was reduced early in the month by £3 per ton, but Boracic Acid remains unchanged; makers of these products continue to be well supplied with orders. Second-hand parcels at Phosphate of Soda are freely offered at below makers' prices. Alum and Sulphate of Alumina have moved steadily. The demand for Muriate of Ammonia is slow and there has been little call for Sal ammoniac. Bleaching Powder and White Caustic Soda have been in only moderate demand. Tar Products generally remain quiet and values have an easier tendency. Benzole continues in moderate demand without alteration in price and Toluolene are without enquiry. There is little demand for Solvent Naphtha and values are lower. Creosote also is being offered at reduced figures. Enquiry is slow for Cresylic and Crystal Carbolic Acids. The demand has fallen away for all qualities of Naphthalene and prices are consequently lower. Little business is passing in Pitch and prices are falling. Consumers' works are well stocked and in some cases full up and deliveries suspended. Sulphate of Ammonia shows practically no change though export prices are easier.

Sundries.—Recent arrivals of American Pearl Starch have eased the position and a fair amount of business has been done, but for near delivery only. Farina continues to be pressed for sale at lower prices especially for forward delivery but the response is only moderate. The demand for Dextrine has fallen away somewhat and lower prices have been accepted. There is keen competition for business in Barytes and prices are in buyers' favour. Turpentine is slow of sale and price is lower. Imported Olive Oil Soap is in poor demand.

ages of the Prince of Wales. Something of the same results may be hoped for from Prince Hirohito's tour, says the N.C.D. News. No one expects impossibilities. The Crown Prince of Japan is not going to London to study social ethics in the school of a Messingham or a Sidney Webb nor to listen to the gospel of the proletariat expounded by a Lansbury. But through all the barriers of bouquets and red carpets with which the progress of royalty is hedged about, it is impossible that he should not absorb certain thoughts and ideas which may have important bearings on the present juncture of social and political life in Japan. His Imperial Highness will have a warm welcome in England. It is the earnest wish of the British people that his visit may be of happy augury for himself and his future subjects.

THE BOY EMPEROR.
PRIVILEGES EXCEEDED.
PEKING PAPERS' WARNING.
On February 20th, the Manchou Boy Emperor—Hsiao-Tung celebrated his birthday. There were more than two hundred persons still loyal to the dethroned boy monarch who paid personal visits to him. One of the notable events of the occasion was the excessive violation of his liberty according to the articles of his privileged Treatment. He has sat on his throne to grant audience to, and receive congratulations from his loyal followers. According to the articles of privileged Treatment he was only allowed to retain his nominal dynastic name, but this year he has exceeded his privileges by secretly using his dynastic calendar, issuing decrees and edicts, and bestowing numerous titles upon the dead, as if he were still the real emperor. If he were wise and expects to preserve his privileges as well as his life and his family hasbought not exceed his liberty, but if he does not look out, his exceed may lead to destruction.—Peking Leader.

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All the high officers of the Italian Navy and the Foreign Naval Attaches were present at Taranto for the final stage of recovery of the 22,000-ton battleship "Leonardo da Vinci," which was treacherously blown up in August 1916. While sinking she turned turtle, embedding her funnels, turrets, masts, and bridge in the muddy bottom of Taranto harbour.

Divers excavated a space round the ship, holes in her hull were cemented, and a mile-long trench was dug, along which she was drawn to the dock. She was then towed out to open water, where, by flooding some of her compartments, she was enabled to right herself by natural means. Long delayed by the war, this salvage exploit is a triumph for Italian naval engineering skill.

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TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

LADIES' GOLF.
PLAYERS are reminded that MISS HEALING'S cup is to be played for under Bogey conditions over old course, FANLING, on TUESDAY, March 22nd. They are also reminded that a qualifying round for the Captain's cup will be played for under Medal conditions on the last Tuesday of every month, and that the winners of each of the 12 monthly qualifying rounds will compete in match play for the cup at the end of the year. Next qualifying round to be played on March 29th, old course, Fanling. March 11, 1921.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.
Orders By: LIEUT. COLONEL E. G. BIRD, D.S.O.
ADMINISTRATIVE COMMANDANT.

1. Parades.
INFANTRY BATTALION PARADES will not be held on Monday, 14th instant. Other Parades during week ending 19th March, will be held in accordance with Programme of Work.
2. The Corps will parade on Monday, 21st March, at 5.30 p.m. at Headquarters. Attendance: Strong as possible.
Dress: Drill Order with Helmets.

3. Musketry.
The Engineer Company will fire Part II, on Sunday, 20th March, at King's Park Range, at 10 a.m.
Officer for duty: 2nd Lieut. R. M. Smith.
4. Engineer Company D.E.L.
There will be Defence Electric Light Runs for trained men and recruits at Belchers at 5.30 p.m. on Thursdays, 17th and 31st March.
5. Mounted Infantry Section.
Parade at Polo Ground, Causeway Bay on Friday, 18th instant, at 5.30 p.m.
Dress: Drill Order.
6. Cadet Company.
Parade at Headquarters on Monday, 14th instant, at 5.30 p.m.
Dress: Drill Order with Helmets.
G. F. E. RAPSON, Bt-Major, Adjutant, H.K. V.D. Corps.

NOTICES.
1. Members are reminded that the Annual Smoking Concert and Distribution of Shooting Prize takes place at Headquarters on Monday, 14th March, commencing at 8.15 p.m. (instead of Friday, 11th March as previously arranged). Dress for Prize-winners Uniform, remainder Optional. Tickets for Concert can be obtained from Headquarters.
Admission by Ticket only.
2. Permission has been granted for the formation of a "Pipe Band" in connection with Scottish Company. 2nd Lieut. T. W. Hill, M.C. is appointed Band President.
Hongkong, March 11, 1921.

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26—B. F. Tientsin.
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11—B. F. Tientsin.
15—B. F. Tientsin.
18—B. F. Tientsin.
May 2—B. F. Tientsin.
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FROM JAPAN.

Mar. 15—B. L. Arratoon Appear.
18—B. F. Tientsin.
19—N. Y. K. Tientsin.
20—N. Y. K. Tientsin.
21—B. F. Tientsin.
22—J. C. J. L. Tientsin.
23—J. C. J. L. Tientsin.
24—B. F. Tientsin.
25—B. F. Tientsin.
26—B. F. Tientsin.
27—B. F. Tientsin.
28—B. F. Tientsin.
29—B. F. Tientsin.
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FROM MANILA.

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2—B. F. Tientsin.
3—B. F. Tientsin.
4—B. F. Tientsin.
5—B. F. Tientsin.
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With regard to the successful appeal made by the Guild to the Board of Trade on behalf of their member, Captain F. J. Gill, of the "Pausang," says the *Dolphin*, the following is from a letter received from another member of the Guild—

"I am exceptionally pleased to hear of your success in getting Capt. Gill's certificate returned to him, because I was the proposer of the appeal to the Governor of Hongkong at the July meeting of the Guild in Shanghai. I think this case is one which ought to be brought to the notice of every master and officer on the China Coast, also in the Straits Settlement. It is to their interests to join the home Guild as well as the local Guild. Most officers out in the East who are not members of the home Guild argue that they don't see the sense of belonging to two Guilds, but the present case proves they are entirely wrong. Our Guilds out in the Far East are very essential and have done a great deal of good, and under the Secretaryship of Captain D'Oliveira we have been very successful. But Captain Gill's case will convince many non-members of the home Guild how beneficial it is to them to join. I shall take great pleasure in writing to Captain Gill and congratulate him on the victory he has gained through being a member of the home Guild. He is a man with a wife and four children out in Hongkong, and I hope he will soon be in command again."

The same paper says: "It was left to the Imperial Merchant Service Guild to bring the matter to the attention of the Board of Trade. This was done during the autumn in a letter which set forth very strongly the various points which could be urged in favour of the captain, and particularly drawing attention to a Notice to Mariners, issued by the Chinese Maritime Customs, by whom the district was surveyed, and in which it is stated that 'vessels should not approach the beacon closer than 23 cables owing to the existence of several bulging rocky patches.' It was pointed out that the captain assumed that he was passing at this distance, and, therefore, would be clear of danger. It was also pointed out that the found-aster-stranding that the beacon was not correctly marked, being in fact some twenty feet inside the edge of the reef. These and other arguments, too lengthy to recapitulate here, were strongly urged, with the happy result above recorded, that the master's certificate has been returned. The moral scarcely requires to be pointed out, namely, that Mercantile Marine masters and officers whose interests are protected by membership of a powerful society, which is not limited by consideration of expense, need not despair at the finding of a Court of Enquiry if their case is a good one."

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THE DANFANT SCANDAL.

THREATENED SPLIT OF TIENTSIN ORGANIZATION.

Chinese social circles in Tientsin are in a state of great excitement over recent events at the British, American and Chinese Commercial Club which threaten to create a split in the Chinese membership of that organization.

The British, American and Chinese Commercial Club, better known as the A.B.C. Club, was organized shortly after the European War with a view to arousing a "get together" spirit among the merchants, bankers, teachers and officials of the three nationalities. As in Shanghai, the premises of the former German Club in Tientsin were acquired from the Chinese Government for the use of the new A.B.C. Club; and these comfortable quarters, plus a large membership from each of the three nationalities, seemed to assure the Club's success. Unfortunately for the promoters of the plan, the Chinese did not "get together" with the British and Americans as well as had been expected, the lure of the theatre, the tea-house and the home being greater than that of the Club. Thus the committee of the Club was obliged to resort to heroic measures in order to increase the institution's popularity; and one of these measures was the holding of a weekly afternoon tea dance.

The tea dances were a success from the start, the wives, mothers and sisters of the Chinese members attending them in large numbers and apparently enjoying them as much as their sisters from the West. Then came the rift in the lute and its resulting division of Chinese society in Tientsin into two groups which are growing further apart from tea dance to tea dance.

It appears that, as the weekly dances proved their popularity among the Chinese, many of the Chinese banking and official members of the Club got into the habit of taking their concubines, or secondary wives, to the club for an afternoon's whirl. Now the concubine is the official and social inferior of the wife, the sister and the mother. On the other hand she has a great advantage over the average Chinese wife in that she represents her husband's personal choice, whereas the wife is generally selected for him by his parents or by the official match-maker. Hence the concubine is, as a rule, younger, prettier and better dressed than the wife.

The increasing numbers of concubines appearing at the A.B.C. Club's dances made a hit with the dancing Chinese and the susceptible but innocent foreigners. The mothers, wives and sisters, however, were not favourably impressed. They saw themselves turned into warring wall-flowers by women who are their inferiors in every respect, and they did not like it. Now the question was: What to do? A formal protest to their sons, husbands and brothers was out of the question, for they knew that in this case Chinese manhood would take the law into its own hands and henceforth leave all ladies, whether concubines or otherwise, at home. A protest to the committee was equally out of the question, for concubines have a legal status in China; their offspring is legitimate; and many of the Chinese members of the Club were the sons of concubines.

So the ladies of the higher social circle decided on a boycott. No man, be he Chinese or foreigner, who danced with a concubine was to be accepted by a lady of their own group on the same day on which he committed the offence. If he came up for a dance the following week with his record and his conscience clear he was accepted as a partner, but on the day of his misdemeanour he was a social outcast as far as the mothers, wives and sisters were concerned.

The effects of the boycott were immediate and startling. The Chinese offenders were mystified, but not for long; their next sensations were chagrin and indignation. Innocent foreigners, not knowing the difference between a concubine and any other Chinese lady, were completely mystified when they left new friends to ask their old friends for a dance, only to be turned down. And neither the Chinese nor the foreign members, although for entirely different reasons, know how to handle the new situation. It looks as though the mother, the wife and the sister had the whiphand over the Chinese male section of the Club; and, according to them, the boycott will continue until the concubines are conspicuous only by their absence or until the tea dance ceases to be a feature of the Club's social activities.

—Feking Leader.

THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

ECONOMIC OUTLOOK.

IMPROVED PROSPECTS FOR DOMINIONS TRADE.

The Right Hon. F. G. Kellaway, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary to the Department of Overseas Trade, writes in the *Empire Mail*—

The Empire overseas has always been one of the biggest customers of the United Kingdom, and at the present time, when most of the important foreign markets are completely disorganised, the trade of the Dominions is of greater consequence than it has ever been before. It is true that at the present time serious difficulties are being encountered in carrying on trade with all the Dominions, but this is not due to any diminution of their prosperity or purchasing power, but is solely the result of the general disturbance of economic relations, which was an inevitable consequence of such a widespread disturbance in world affairs. In order to understand the position now obtaining and to form an estimate of the possibilities of recovery in the near future, it is necessary to review the effects of the war on the industry and trade of the Overseas Dominions.

It must first be realised that none of the Dominions experienced the destructive effects of the war. In every case they were called upon for a great productive effort, in order to supply as far as possible all their own requirements and so to relieve the strain on the manufacturing capacity and shipping of Europe, and, further, to supply in greater volume than they had ever done before, the raw materials and foodstuffs required to maintain the conflict. They were able to find a market for all that they could produce at very high prices and were therefore able to show very large export balances and so create large credits on London, which were largely devoted to financing their own war efforts. The trade of the Dominions was therefore in a highly prosperous condition, and no difficulties as to finance occurred. This condition of affairs continued for many months after the Armistice. The strong demand continued for their raw materials and food products, and as the manufacturing countries of the world were compelled to devote their attention to the restarting of their home industries and to the reconstruction of devastated countries, it was impossible to ship the large amount of manufactured goods which were required by the Dominions.

THE DOMINIONS AND RECONSTRUCTION IN EUROPE.

From the point of view of production, the United Kingdom and the great Dominions have made a most satisfactory recovery. But under modern conditions all countries specialise. Such specialisation involves a vast co-operation of nations; success in one country depends on the progress of all the others and their ability to purchase the goods produced. At present, many countries which were at one time among the greatest consumers of United Kingdom and Empire products, owing to the destruction or dislocation of their own industries, are unable to purchase the same volume of goods as they did before the war.

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Australia, for instance, whose productive capacity has made a brilliant recovery during the last two years, is seriously hampered by the inability of many European countries to purchase her wool, wheat, mutton and other products. This is probably the biggest factor behind the peculiar exchange position which at present exists between Australia and the rest of the world. New Zealand and South Africa are in a somewhat similar position, and in addition are nervous of making purchases now, when prices in most markets are falling.

I have already referred to India. The market for tea affords a good illustration of the present situation. Before the war large quantities of Indian tea were regularly consumed in Russia. Russia is not at present in a position to purchase this commodity, with the result that the other markets are glutted and prices have fallen. Canada at the moment is probably the least affected of all the Dominions by the present position of Europe, and, as her harvest is exceptionally good, it is expected that the depression will soon rise from this market.

There is much in the position to afford hope.

The economic reconstruction of Europe is proceeding, and with the progress of this work a demand for the products of the British Empire will inevitably arise. One of the first signs of the returning strength of Europe will, in fact, certainly be the recovery of the demand for the food products and raw materials so plentifully produced within the Empire. Meantime, the situation requires all the courage and care of which we are capable. Towards the recovery of our own industries we have already made a considerable contribution; it is certain we have still a great contribution to make towards the recovery of our less fortunate neighbours. To the attainment of economic well-being the whole world is one team; we must see that the team as a whole is strong.

—Feking Leader.

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IMPROVEMENT WITHIN THREE OR FOUR MONTHS.

Under these conditions, what can be said of the prospects for a revival of trade during the coming year? In all the Dominions and in India the internal position appears to be sound. A considerable development has been made industrially in all cases and there is no reason to suppose that the demand for manufactured goods is satisfied or that purchasing power will not be forthcoming when the existing obstacles are removed. The two important factors appear to be that prices should be readjusted to a level more in accordance with what are believed to be the present conditions, in order that the confidence of the buyer in the stability of prices should be restored, and that the present exchange difficulties should be overcome. The difficulty is, of course, directly dependent on the revival of demand for the productions of the Dominions. The conditions appear to be favourable to an early improvement in most cases; the great wheat crops of Canada and Australia will greatly strengthen the position of these countries, while India's large exportable surplus of rice should be of material assistance to her. Thus a material improvement may reasonably be anticipated within the next three or four months, but complete restoration cannot be expected until the demand for raw materials, such as wool and hides, is re-established. It is not yet clear that alternative markets exist for the whole of the produce formerly absorbed by Central and Eastern Europe. The progressive stabilisation of these impoverished or disturbed regions will offer the best guarantee for the ultimate and full restoration of the trade both of this country and of the Dominions.

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FAMINE AREA.

GRAVE REPORTS.

A CRISIS APPROACHING.

Conditions are daily becoming more acute over the greater part of the famine area, death figures in West Honan are now reliably reported to exceed 1,000 daily and typhus which has broken out in the Pihansu Kai-feng has spread so rapidly that there are more than twenty deaths there daily over the entire area, the population is slowly sinking both physically and economically.

These are the grave reports submitted to the United International Famine Relief Committee yesterday by independent investigators who made their reports in person and by responsible field workers who reported by wire.

All indications are that the crisis is close at hand, that additional money and grain must be forced through to the more remote districts or a large part of the population will go down.

The reports come in just as many sections of China are winding up their parts of the National Famine Relief Drive and as other sections are getting their campaigns well speed up.

Deaths are increasing so rapidly in the twenty-two hsiens of West Honan that they can not be recorded but might easily run into the thousands daily, according to Bishop White while there are some hundred deaths daily in six hsiens of the northern portion.

Typhus has been raging for a week at Kai-feng and has not yet been checked. Josef W. Hall, Peking newspaperman, who accompanied Mrs. Martin Egan, *Saturday Evening Post* representative on her tour reported that the physical and economic situations are both grave, that there is danger that the famine stricken population may be too weak to attend properly to the spring crop and that the sale of possessions has set the population back many years.

Through it all, the population has shown a wonderful spirit of self denial, of careful conservation and a true fighting desire to live, according to Mrs. Egan. They are making their rations keep them alive over the long possible period and everywhere there is evidence that China's famine is one of the most acute physical sufferings.

These are the conditions that the funds raised and sent to be raised in the National Famine Relief Drive, are to relieve. Financial reports are still coming in to the Peking committee, from the city's solicitation teams and from other centres that had simultaneous drives.

So far the Japanese lead all the foreign groups in the totals. Final reports will show whether any other nationality will pass the total of \$60,000 turned over to the treasurer. The Japanese sold 1,000 tickets to the open air programmes. The Oriental Development Company gave \$45,000, students in the Chinese language course at the School of Foreign Languages, gave \$1,010 and Japanese and Koreans gave \$145 yen through the Keijo Nippo and the Mail Sinpo. Japanese and Chinese friends in Port Arthur gave 3,031 yen and Japanese in Haytien gave 3,888 yen.

Nanking has wired that it has passed the \$100,000 mark and Kai-feng has raised \$28,000. Chungking is out for a fund of \$30,000 and many other sections are still conducting their campaigns.

Most of the ministries in Peking have turned in the money on their pledges. Those that followed the ministry of communications which gave \$4,000 are: the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, \$5,000; Ministry of Justice, \$4,000; Board of Navy, \$5,000 and the Ministry of Finance, more than \$3,000. All of the donations exceed the round figures as detailed.

Peking's house-to-house canvases netted more than \$10,000. This fund being obtained entirely by the women.

MOTOR SHIPBUILDING.

BRITAIN'S LEAD.

240 MOTOR SHIPS ON ORDER.

During the year 1920 one hundred motor ships were launched throughout the world, totalling 189,977 tons gross. At the beginning of this year there were 189 motor ships in course of construction, totalling 454,502 tons gross, practically all of which will be completed before the end of 1921. These figures are sufficient to show the extraordinarily rapid progress which is being made, particularly when it is borne in mind that the number of vessels mentioned does not include a great many which have been contracted for but which have not yet been laid down. As is pointed out, when these are taken into account, the probable total number of internal-combustion-engined sea-going ships on order is not less than 240.

Whilst it is satisfactory to learn that British shipyards accounted for a larger number of motor vessels launched in 1920 than those in any other country, and that about half of the oil-engined ships now being built are in the United Kingdom, the position is not one with which British shipbuilders can rest content. In many other countries the proportion of motor ships to steamers under construction is considerably larger than it is in the United Kingdom, and, if America be omitted (for motor ship development is lamentably slow in that country), about one ship in every four now being built abroad will have oil-engines installed, against one in every fifteen in the United Kingdom. Thus, although from a mere statement of figures of work in hand it would appear that Great Britain is easily the leading country in the construction of motor ships, she does not occupy so outstanding a position as is warranted by her tremendous shipbuilding resources. For instance, in Norway, Sweden, and Denmark combined there are almost as many motor vessels being constructed, as in the United Kingdom, although the potential output from the three Scandinavian countries is probably not more than a quarter of that of British yards.

It is clear that a good deal remains to be done. The old conservatism among shipowners and shipbuilders in this country is broken down, but there is still much inertia to be overcome. There is every evidence that, so soon as shipowners begin again to place orders for new vessels, they will lean much more towards the motor ship than they have ever done before, and, in the interval, shipbuilding firms would do well to prepare as best they can for rapid and economical oil-engine manufacture. It is doubtful if, in five or ten years to come, more than one ship in ten will be a steamer, and those who are waiting for the complete revolution to be enacted before they begin to make preparations to participate in it, will probably find themselves left entirely in the lurch. Already this is to be seen in other countries, where, in some cases, as in Sweden, the steam-engine is considered practically obsolete. (Motor Ship.)

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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

GREEK PRINCESS LYING.

SON ARRIVING FROM FAR EAST HASTENS TO ATHENS.

New York, March 11.
William Leeds, son of Princess Anastasia of Greece, who arrived from the Far East to consult specialists regarding a poisonous insect bite sustained in Sumatra, heard that his mother was dying in Athens and immediately hastened to Europe.

SHIPS DOCTORS WILL.

CURIOUS STORY.

EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES.

A curious story of the will of a ship's doctor was told to Mr. Justice Hill, in an application for probate. The will was that of a surgeon on the Glen Line, a Dr. E. S. Seah, a Chinaman, and the Court was a little diverted by the odd Chinese names of the beneficiaries. The will had been lost. Hence the trouble. Counsel, Mr. Middleton, asked that an examination copy of the will made at the Board of Trade might be admitted to probate. Dr. Seah was on one of the liners running between London and the east, and was ordinarily resident at Singapore. He was put ashore at Port Said on September 19, 1917, and made a will there, by which he left his personality to his brother. The will was sent to the Mercantile Marine Office, Tilbury, and thence to the Board of Trade. It was received at the Board of Trade on December 15, 1919, and they posted it to Singapore to one of the residuary legatees. Before it was posted the Board of Trade made an examination copy of the will. The brother took possession of the will and left Singapore with it, with a view to taking medical studies in this country. On the way he fell in with a Belgian and they registered their luggage from Marseilles to Paris. Between Marseilles and Paris, the luggage of Dr. Seah's brother disappeared and with it the will, which was in a portmanteau, and Dr. Seah's brother also lost sight of his Belgian companion. Enquiries had been made for the luggage and there was no prospect of it or the will being found.

Mr. Justice Hill asked who was the next of kin.
Counsel replied, the father, but under the will he got nothing; it was all left to the brother. The father was at Singapore. The estate was £1,700 personality in this country.
Mr. Justice Hill—Well, supposing the father comes and says by the law of Singapore a son cannot disinherit his father? However, I assume there is the same law there as in this country. Here is a will to be proved in England of a Chinaman domiciled in Singapore, who died at Port Said, and left a will with reference to property in England, which will was lost in France—the complications in this case arise from a copy of the will at the Board of Trade, until such time as the original will is brought in.

CHINESE GIRL STUDENTS.

"COLD-SHOULDERED."

NOT WELCOMED IN LONDON.

While there are 20 Chinese girl students in Paris, who have been sent to study there by the Peking Government, there are only about 4 Chinese girl students in London. They are the daughters of wealthy Chinese people and are studying separately at various London schools. There are also two or three Chinese girl students in Edinburgh, and one of them is studying law and economics. A friend of the girl students in London told a reporter that one is studying music at the Royal Academy of Music and intends to go back to China when her education is completed. Another does nothing but drawing.

"They seem very happy in England," he said, "but they live in private houses because it is felt a Chinese girl has rather a cold welcome in many English schools."

JAPANESE FEAT.

CROSS OCEAN IN OPEN BOAT.

ADVENTURER FROM SINGAPORE.

The Sydney Telegraph reports—Yesterday in the unromantic precincts of the Central Police Court Inspector Donoghue, of the Customs Department, was given the chance to tell a story of high endeavour, ending in an achievement that interests the whole of Australia. Mr. Gale, S.M., sat on the bench, and in the dock, with impassive countenances sat three Japanese, charged with being undesirable immigrants. One of them, Negi Yamata (31), was the hero of a voyage more difficult and dangerous than that of Ulysses.

The inspector went back to Singapore to commence his story. There, four years ago, three Japanese had built a boat 30ft. long with the intention of using it to get surreptitiously into Australia. They started out to row across the intervening space of sea, bent upon landing here. The dangers of typhoons and currents did not deter them.

For 62 days they worked at the oars, slowly, yet surely, traversing the waste of waters. Tinned meat and one tank of water constituted their only provisions. Twice during the journey they landed on the shores of an island to replenish their supplies.

Rough weather came on, and the sea rose, but they stuck to their task, determined to achieve their object, and land in Australia.

Eventually they reached Thursday Island. The main portion of their task had been accomplished. They started out once more, and this time succeeded in reaching Australia, landing at Townsville in Queensland.

Here Yamata was questioned by the authorities, but he gave as his reason for refusing to register that he did not speak English. There the other two left him, and they are still at large. Yamata came on to Sydney. The other two apparently joined different ships.

On Thursday, after four years had elapsed the inspector questioned Yamata, at Chiswood, regarding his passport. His answers to queries were unsatisfactory, and he was arrested and brought to court.

Of the other two in dock on this occasion, Shibahara had deserted from the "Kemkon Maru," and Kusaka from the "Shimpo Maru." The men were sentenced to six months' imprisonment. The magistrate remarked that they would probably be returned to Japan.

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For	Per	Times
FRIDAY, MARCH 11.		
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Fort Boyard	Shuncheong	5 p.m.
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Fort Boyard, Hoikow and Haiphong	Manzan	5 p.m.
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WEATHER REPORT.

March 10d. 12h. 35m. Pressure is highest at Shanghai. It has increased slightly at Vladivostok and from Weihaiwei to Formosa. It has decreased slightly from Hongkong to Cape St. James.

Fresh monsoon may be expected along the south-east coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 1.98 inches, against an average of 3.75 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on March 11th.
1.—Hongkong to Gar Rock, E. winds, strong moderating; cloudy.
2.—Formosa Channel. N.E. winds, strong, moderating.
3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamock. The same as No. 1.
4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. N.E. winds, fresh to moderate.

METEOROLOGICAL.

HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

MARCH 10, 1921.—a.m.

Station	Hour	Barometer	Thermometer	Humidity	Direction	Force	Weather
Vladivostok	5 a.	30.25	17	55%	0		
Nankin	5 a.	30.25	17	55%	0		
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C. W. JEFFERIES, Director.

Hongkong Observatory, March 10, 1921.

1. BAROMETRIC, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.
2. THERMOMETRIC, in the shade in degrees Fahrenheit.
3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.
4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.
5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort Scale.
6. STATE OF WEATHER, in blue sky, detached cloud, drizzling rain, fog, gloomy, hail, lightning, or overcast, passing showers, squalls, rain, snow, thunder, visibility in ft., mi., or 1/2 mi.
7. RAIN, in inches tenths and hundredths.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

Previous day	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.04	29.84
Thermometer	60	64
Humidity	70	77
Direction of Wind	2	3
Force	4	3
Weather	0	0
Rain	0.00	0.00

HONGKONG TIME SIGNALS.

The Time Ball on Kowloon Signal Hill is dropped daily at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. except on Sundays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., and on Sundays and Holidays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. The Ball is hoisted half past the 55th minute and full name at the 57th minute. Should the ball fail to drop at the correct time it will be lowered at 5 minutes past the hour and the ordinary routine repeated at the following hour, if possible. Should the Time Ball be out of order the above routine will be carried out with the flag hoisted on the Signal Mast. Time Signals are also given at night by means of three white lamps mounted vertically on the Observatory wireless mast. From 8.50 to 9.00 p.m. the lamps are extinguished momentarily at the even seconds, except on the 2nd, 23rd, 50th, 51st, and 54th of each month. The hours given for Hongkong Standard Time (Shore East of Greenwich).

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BRITAIN AND CHINA.

NEED FOR CO-OPERATION.

EDUCATION OF STUDENTS.

Mr Alfred See, the retiring Chinese Minister in London, in a communication to the Press, expresses his gratitude for the kindness and courtesy shown to him during his term of office in England.

Anglo-Chinese relations are now marked by much cordiality and friendliness, and Mr. See believes there are characteristics common to the British and to the Chinese character which ought to make for the greater development of friendly relations between Great Britain and China. As long as Great Britain is an Asiatic Power with territory continuous with China for a thousand miles, British and Chinese interests alike demand not alone friendliness but co-operation between the two countries. The industrial development of China is a field for British and Chinese co-operation. Not only China and Great Britain, but the world as a whole, would benefit from the application of British capital and skill to the development of Chinese resources.

But if Anglo-Chinese co-operation is to become fruitful, it is essential that some proportion of the younger generation of Chinese be brought under the direct influence of British ideas and methods through and by means of education. The British must encourage and attract to their country some of the makers and workers of the China of tomorrow.

PERSUASIVE REVOLVER.

YOUNG MAN'S EXPLOIT.

HOW TO CATCH A TRAIN.

Many of us have nearly missed trains because the man in the cloak-room was so slow in finding our luggage, but not many of us have adopted the tactics of a young man who wished to catch the express from Venice at Rovigo recently.

As his luggage had not been found when the train came into the station, he drew a revolver and threatened to shoot the engine-driver if the train left before he gave the word for it to do so. Happily for everyone concerned, the cloak-room attendant suddenly remembered where he had put the bag, but the young traveller's language, and still more his revolver, had so upset the station officials that they telegraphed to have him arrested on arrival.

In the meantime, however, he had been doing some useful propaganda for himself, and the other passengers refused, in their turn, to allow the train to proceed without him. Each time it drew out of the station one of them pulled the alarm cord, automatically stopping the train, so that in the end the stationmaster had to give way and let the young man climb back into his carriage amid the cheers of the crowd.

It is reported that a loan of \$1,200,000 has been borrowed by the Shih Ching Railway Authorities from a certain foreign source so as to enable the Administration to extend the line in question to Chengchow. The loan is borrowed at ninety-seven and is to be repaid in four years' time.

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THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in reservoirs on the 1st March, 1921.

CITY AND HILL DEFICIENT WATER WORKS

LEVEL.

Reservoir	1st Mar.	2nd Mar.
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Consumption of water in the City and Hill Districts in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of February.

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